

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, line 1, immediately following the title "Protective Device For Objects Placed Inside The Rear Boot of a Motor Vehicle," please insert the following paragraphs:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application claims priority to French patent application No. 0209220 filed on or about July 19, 2002. A related application was also filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty on or about June 26, 2003, as PCT/FR03/01980. The PCT application claims priority to the French patent application.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

***Field of the Invention***

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***Description of the Related Art***

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**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

On page 3, line 1, please insert the following new header:

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

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**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**